

Meeting Minutes

Water Quality Impact Assessment Team Room 1147 C-1 5/14/97 1:30-3:00 PM

Attendees: Carol Howe, Peter Mangarella, Frank Piccola, Francis Chung, Mary Dunne, Lenore Thomas, Tom Maurer

Carol explained the materials that will be presented at the upcoming BDAC meeting including the common program summaries and a description of the 17 alternatives. She then distributed copies of Appendix B (Water Quality Actions) of the BDAC packet to the Team for review. Comments were to be submitted to Carol by Wednesday, May 21.

Peter explained what had been completed on the impact assessment write-ups - primarily in relation to ecosystem actions. Francis asked whether pollutants would be prioritized by species. Carol responded that this had been done initially and what remained in the current parameter list represented prioritization for programmatic impact assessment purposes. However, prioritization may be necessary when the implementation phase of the program is developed.

Frank mentioned that in explaining 2020 conditions the team should use numerical ranges when possible to describe future conditions. Frank stated that conditions in 2020 should be based on growth, population projections, and professional judgment.

By May 30, the Team should be able to show substantial progress on both the Water Quality Impact Assessment and Affected Environment Reports. For the Water Quality Impact . Assessment Report the Team should be attempting to build a write-up on the alternatives from the individual action assessments. One alternative should be completed then the other alternatives should be compared to it for changes. An administrative draft of the water quality impact analysis must be completed by August.

Existing programs such as the Phase I Stormwater Management Plans, should be mentioned in the Water Quality Affected Environment Report. The data periods covered for different parameters should be addressed in writing. Concerning temperature and dissolved oxygen it was decided that the Water Quality Team would state what levels had been observed at different points in the Bay-Delta system and the Ecosystem Team would describe the biological impacts associated with these levels.

Handling of bromides was discussed. It was mentioned that in the CVPIA a figure of 84% was

used in relation to bromides from seawater. Francis said that this is dependent on factors such as barrier placement and export pumping. Francis is to provide studies of the % water that arrives at pumps from different locations.

Mary queried whether there is any commonality among the various CALFED groups regarding affected environment conditions.

The next Water Quality Impact Assessment Team meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 28 at 1:30 PM.

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